

**Amendments to the Claims**

Kindly amend claims 1, 9, 11, 13, 17, 18, 23 & 27, and cancel claims 3, 5, 16, 21 & 26 (without prejudice), as set forth below. All pending claims are reproduced below, with changes in the amended claims shown by underlining (for added matter) and strikethrough/double brackets (for deleted matter).

1. (Currently Amended) A mechanism for manipulating information from a source data model and creating a target data model, said mechanism comprising:

(a) a template module including a directive to extract and manipulate selected data of a source data model, said source data model comprising read-only data;

(b) a template processing module to process said directive contained in said template module;

(c) said template processing module further including a component to generate a first Document Object Model tree for navigating said template module to manipulate said source data model and create a target data model, and a component to generate a second Document Object Model tree for navigating said source data model; and

wherein said template module includes at least one of a directive to manipulate the first Document Object Model tree and a directive to manipulate the second Document Object Model tree for navigating the source data model.

2. (Previously Presented) The mechanism as claimed in claim 1, wherein said template module further includes a directive to create said target data model, said target data model providing a repository for data obtained from said source data model.

3. (Canceled).

4. (Canceled).

5. (Canceled).

6. (Previously Presented) The mechanism as claimed in claim 1, in an application development program and said source data model and said target data model define an object for an application program.

7. (Previously Presented) The mechanism as claimed in claim 1, wherein said template module is expressed in Extensive Markup Language, said template module being defined according to a Document Type Definition.

8. (Previously Presented) The mechanism as claimed in claim 2, wherein said template module is expressed in Extensive Markup Language, said template module being defined according to a Document Type Definition.

9. (Currently Amended) The mechanism as claimed in claim [[3]] 1, wherein said template module is expressed in Extensive Markup Language, said template module being defined according to a Document Type Definition.

10. (Canceled).

11. (Currently Amended) The mechanism as claimed in claim [[5]] 1, wherein said template module is expressed in Extensive Markup Language, said template module being defined according to a Document Type Definition.

12. (Previously Presented) The mechanism as claimed in claim 6, wherein said template module is expressed in Extensive Markup Language, said template module being defined according to a Document Type Definition.

13. (Currently Amended) A method for manipulating selected data from a source data model, said method comprising:

(a) defining a template file having a directive specifying data to be extracted and manipulated in a source data model, said source data model comprising read-only data;

(b) generating a first Document Object Model tree for navigating said template file;

(c) generating a second Document Object Model tree for navigating said source data model;

(d) navigating said template file using said first Document Object Model tree and processing said directive to extract and manipulate selected data in said source data model using said second Document Object Model tree to facilitate creation of a target data model; and

wherein said template file includes a directive for manipulating the second Document Object Model tree for navigating said source data model.

14. (Previously Presented) The method as claimed in claim 13, further including creating said target data model, said target data model providing a repository for the data obtained from said source data model.

15. (Canceled).

16. (Canceled).

17. (Currently Amended) The method as claimed in claim [[16]] 13, wherein said template file is expressed in Extensive Markup Language, said template file being defined according to a Document Type Definition.

18. (Currently Amended) A computer program product for an application program for creating objects, said application program including a utility for manipulating information in a source data model and creating a target data model, said computer program product comprising:

a computer-readable recording medium;

means recorded on said medium for instructing a computer to perform:

- (a) defining a template file having a directive specifying data to be extracted and manipulated from a source data model, said source data model comprising read-only data;
- (b) generating a first Document Object Model tree for navigating said template file;
- (c) generating a second Document Object Model tree for navigating said source data model;
- (d) navigating said template file using said first Document Object Model tree and processing said directive to extract and manipulate selected data in said source data model using said second Document Object Model tree to facilitate creation of a target data model; and  
wherein said template file includes a directive for manipulating the second Document Object Model tree for navigating said source data model.

19. (Previously Presented) The computer program product as claimed in claim 18, further including creating said target data model, said target data model providing a repository for the data obtained from said source data model.

20. (Canceled).

21. (Canceled).

22. (Previously Presented) The computer program product as claimed in claim 18, wherein said template file is expressed in Extensive Markup Language, said template file being defined according to a Document Type Definition.

23. (Currently Amended) A computer program product comprising computer-readable medium embodying means for instructing a computer to perform a method for manipulating selected data from a source data model, said method comprising:

- (a) defining a template file having a directive specifying data to be extracted and manipulated in a source data model, said source data model comprising read-only data;
- (b) generating a first Document Object Model tree for navigating said template file;
- (c) generating a second Document Object Model tree for navigating said source data model;
- (d) navigating said template file using said first Document Object Model tree and processing said directive to extract and manipulate selected data in said source data model using said second Document Object Model tree to facilitate creation of a target data model; and

wherein said template file includes a directive for manipulating the second Document Object Model tree for navigating said source data model.

24. (Previously Presented) The computer program product as claimed in claim 23, further including creating said target data model, said target data model providing a repository for the data obtained from said source data model.

25. (Canceled).

26. (Canceled).

27. (Currently Amended) The computer program product as claimed in claim [[26]]  
23, wherein said template file is expressed in Extensive Markup Language, said template file being defined according to a Document Type Definition.

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